

WRITTEN AGREEMENT FOR THE NAVAL RESERVE AFFILIATION BONUS*(Chapter 5, Title 37, U.S. Code, Section 308e)*

PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT

AUTHORITY: Chapter 5, Title 37, U.S. Code, Section 308e.**PRINCIPLE PURPOSE:** To establish eligibility for the Reserve Component Incentive Bonus Program.**ROUTINE USES:** Information will be used as a resource document indicating participation status of each servicemember in the Reserve Components Incentive benefits program. Determination of participation status or eligibility will involve computer matching between Department of the Navy and the Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS) using information from this document.**DISCLOSURE:** Voluntary; however, failure to provide the Social Security Number may delay processing of this agreement and may result in the respondents eligibility not being established.**1. SERVICE MEMBER** (Print or Type)

a. Name (LAST, First, Middle Initial)

b. Social Security Number:

c. Bonus RATING / NEC

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

1. In connection with my affiliation in the Naval Reserve in an IDT pay status, I hereby acknowledge that I must fully meet the eligibility criteria listed in this section to be considered for bonus entitlement under the Reserve Component Incentives Program. I further acknowledge that final determination of bonus entitlement resides with Commander, Naval Reserve Forces Command upon adjudication of my application for bonus approval.

a. I am affiliating for the remaining period of my initial Military Service Obligation (MSO) in the same permanent rating or specialty in which I successfully served while on active duty, or, on or after 15 March 2005, I have been approved for affiliation/enlistment via the RESCORE-R program and the rating or specialty under which I am affiliating/enlisting is approved for bonus entitlement by the Commander, Naval Reserve Forces Command.

b. I have satisfactorily completed my term of obligated Active Duty service, I was separated under honorable conditions, and I have a Reserve military service obligation remaining under Section 651 of 10 U.S.C.

c. I have not previously received an affiliation bonus for service in the Drilling Reserve of any Selected Reserve component.

d. I have not been a member of the Drilling Naval Reserve during any period of time in the 180 days before applying for this bonus.

3. OBLIGATIONS

1. I shall incur the obligations of this agreement as follows:

a. I shall serve satisfactorily as prescribed by regulations for the entire remaining period of my bonus affiliation.

b. I further obligate to serve in the same Military Department and in the same rating or specialty for which the bonus is approved, unless excused for the convenience of the Government.

4. AUTHORIZED NON-AVAILABILITY

If I am not able to continue to serve in the Drilling Reserve for a valid reason approved by the Commander, Naval Reserve Forces Command, following a period of satisfactory Reserve participation, I may be authorized up to one year of non-availability. I understand that if approved, I shall be suspended from this incentive and not receive payments during the period of suspension. To regain eligibility for further payments I must return to a Drilling Reserve status prior to the expiration of the approved non-availability and extend my commitment for the duration of the approved non-availability to serve the full qualifying period in the Drilling Reserve. Entitlement to subsequent payments shall resume on the adjusted anniversary date of satisfactory, creditable Drilling Reserve service (i.e., the date shall be adjusted for the period of non-availability). Failure to meet reinstatement criteria shall result in termination of the incentive and recoupment, as appropriate. Only one period of release is permitted during the qualifying contractual agreement.

5. ENTITLEMENTS

1. I shall receive my affiliation bonus as follows:

a. I will be paid a bonus amount equal to the sum of, \$50 multiplied by the number of months remaining of my Military Service Obligation at the time of my affiliation.

b. If I have 18 months or less remaining on my initial MSO, I will receive the entire calculated bonus amount, less taxes, upon verification of entitlement.

c. If I have more than 18 months remaining on my initial MSO, I will receive one-half of the total calculated bonus amounts, less tax, as an initial payment, and the remaining one-half of the bonus amount, less tax, on the date of the sixth anniversary of my original enlistment. If I have over six years of total service, the remaining one-half of the bonus amount will be paid on the date of the seventh anniversary of my original enlistment.

d. **If I am qualifying for bonus entitlement based on my enlistment via the RESCORE-R program, I understand that I will NOT be entitled to receive any bonus payments prior to completing the requirements of the RESCORE-R program and make my rate permanent. MEMBERS INITIALS: _____**

6. STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING

1. I shall be terminated from eligibility as follows:

a. If I fail to participate satisfactorily in training with the Drilling Reserve per current directives that includes maintaining medical and dental readiness.

b. If I voluntarily separate from the Drilling Reserve for any reason including Active Duty for Special Work, or Active Duty Training for more 179 consecutive days.

c. If I voluntarily change to a non bonus-eligible rating without the express direction of Commander, Naval Reserve Forces Command.

d. If I fail to extend the contracted term of service for a period of authorized non-availability.

2. If I am terminated, an amount to be recouped or reimbursed shall be computed, as follows:

The number of months I have served satisfactorily during the term for which my bonus has been paid shall be multiplied by the monthly rate authorized by the particular bonus. That amount shall be subtracted from the total amount of bonus paid to me to date. If the calculation indicates overpayment to me, I will refund that amount to the Government of the United States. If the calculation indicates that I have earned more than I have been paid, I shall receive a final payment in that amount.

3. Termination from bonus entitlement and/or any refund made by me shall not affect my period of obligation to serve in the Ready Reserve.

4. Recoupment of a bonus payment as calculated under subsection 2, above, shall be waived if termination was for any of the following reasons:

a. I am accepting an immediate appointment as an officer in the Ready Reserve, and have completed more than 1 year of the incentive contract term.

b. I am involuntarily separated from the Drilling Reserve as a result of unit inactivation, relocation, reorganization, or a directed reduction in the Drilling Reserve force.

c. I am not recommended for retention in the Naval Reserve as determined by a medical review board, and that my medical condition was not caused by my own willful misconduct.

5. I have read and understand each of the statements above, and understand that they are intended to constitute all promises or agreements whatsoever concerning my enlistment or extension of enlistment. No other promises, representations, or commitments have been made to me in connection with my affiliation bonus.

7. SERVICEMEMBER

a. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME (LAST, First, Middle Initial)

b. Rank

c. Signature

d. Date

8. COMMANDING OFFICER / DESIGNEE OR RECRUITER

a. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME (LAST, First, Middle Initial)

b. Grade

c. Signature

d. Date